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SUBJECT: INVITATIONS TO MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES IN BERLIN

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1. DEPT CONCURS WITH USBERLIN AND EMBASSY BONN THAT FUTURE INVITATIONS TO INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES IN WSB, INCLUDING THOSE INVOLVING ONLY WESTERN PARTICIPANTS, SHOULD BE MADE BY SENAT OR JOINTLY BY FRG AND SENAT TO CONFORM TO ANNEX IV OF QA. US REP SHOULD AGREE TO ALLIED DEMARCHE TO FRG ACCORDINGLY.

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2. DEPT AGREES ALLIES SHOULD NOT NOW RAISE OBJECTIONS TO

NOVEMBER COLLOQUY INVOLVING COMMITTEE ON POPULATION AND
REFUGEES OF PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY OF COUNCIL OF EUROPE.
WE TOO BELIEVE THAT POSSIBILITY OF SOVIET PROTEST MAKES
IT HIGHLY DESIRABLE FOR SENAT ROLE TO BE REFLECTED IN
SOME PUBLIC FASHION. WE COULD ACCEPT SUGGESTION BY UK
THAT PREPARATION OF MATERIALS FOR CONFERENCE REFLECT FRG
AND SENAT AS CO-HOSTS (REF A), BUT PREFER PROPOSAL BY US
BERLIN THAT THE SENAT SEND A WELCOMING LETTER TO
PRESIDENT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY CONFIRMING SENAT
ROLE AS CO-HOST (REF B). SENAT LETTER WOULD PROVIDE
SIMPLE, NON-CONTROVERSIAL MEANS OF PUTTING SENAT ROLE ON

THE RECORD, WHILE IN OUR VIEW, UK IDEA WOULD BE
MORE DIFFICULT TO IMPLEMENT AND WOULD NOT PROVIDE PRIOR
PUBLIC EVIDENCE WHICH COULD BE USED TO ANSWER SOVIET
COMPLAINTS. MAW

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